

# SENATE BILL 390

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By: **Senator McFadden**

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2010

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Marriage License Fee – Increase**

3 FOR the purpose of providing for the maximum amount of the additional fee for a  
4 marriage license that the Baltimore City Mayor and the Baltimore City Council  
5 are authorized to set by ordinance; requiring the clerk of the court to pay the  
6 proceeds from the additional fee to the House of Ruth; requiring the Mayor to  
7 prepare and make available a certain annual report on or before a certain date  
8 each year; and generally relating to marriage license fees in Baltimore City.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Family Law  
11 Section 2–404(d)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Family Law**

17 2–404.

18 (d) In Baltimore City:

19 (1) the Mayor and City Council may set by ordinance an additional fee  
20 [as authorized in this section] **OF UP TO \$75** for each license;

21 (2) the clerk shall pay the proceeds from the additional fee to the  
22 [Mayor and City Council] **HOUSE OF RUTH** each month; and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (3)     [the proceeds shall be used to fund domestic violence programs  
2 that have 24-hour intake ability] **THE MAYOR SHALL PREPARE AND MAKE**  
3 **AVAILABLE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR ON**  
4 **THE DISPOSITION OF FEES COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION DURING THE**  
5 **PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.**

6                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 October 1, 2010.